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2. I informed Nakamura that this proposal was in contradiction to the recent Police Board decision and was not the preferred option put forth by the Office of Security. He was aware of the Board decision, but the Senate Sergeant of Arms who is a member of the Board strongly disagreed with the decision. He still wanted our support, adding that John Nelson of the SSCI had informed him that Senator Hollings who sits on the Appropriations Committee supports establishing a civilian technical security group. Nakamura repeated his request for Intelligence Community support.

3. After consulting with [redacted] of the Office of Security, I informed Nakamura that we could not support the report language. However, we were willing to support language which stated that "the Intelligence Community has reviewed the legislation proposed by the Senate Sergeant of Arms and views the change as one viable option for improving technical security on the Hill." Nakamura, while disappointed, agreed to use our language in the accompanying report.

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